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Level 2

Paper Play

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Swoosh came the wind. A sheet of paper floated in.
Manju picked it up and sat down to draw the sun. "Oh, this looks horrible! she said.
Manju crumpled the paper and threw it out of the window. The paper fell on
Wasim’s head. “Ah, a ball!” he said happily.



Wasim threw the crumpled paper ball up into the air and watched it come down.

He threw it higher, and it came down faster.Wasim aimed the paper ball at Syeda, his sister.

“Got you!” he shouted with glee.



Syeda picked up the crumpled paper.
She stuck a pencil into it and said, “Would you like this lollipop? When I am big, I am going to sell many kinds of lollipops in my sweet shop.”



Just then, Bittu came in. “May I have the lollipop please?” he asked.
He pretended to eat the sweet and then rolled up the crumpled paper.
“Testing, testing, mike testing, one, two, three!” he said. “Now I am going to sing you a song.”



Bittu finished singing a film song very loudly.
Manju took the crumpled paper from Bittus hands.
She smoothened the paper and made a boat.

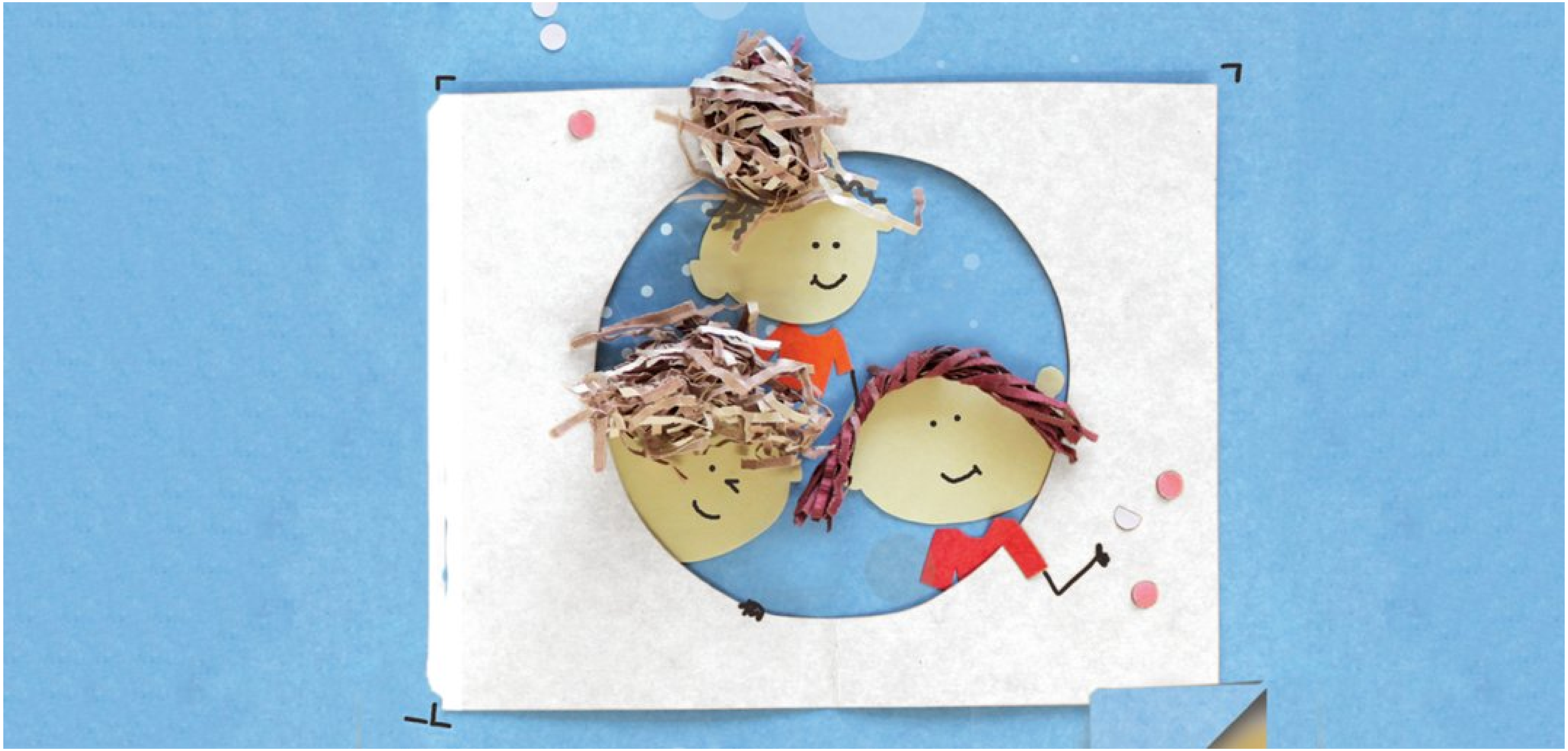


“Bittu, the famous singer will sail all around the world in this big ship!”

“May I come with you too?” asked Wasim.



Wasim picked up the boat. Very carefully, he smoothened the paper.
Then he folded it like a handkerchief. He cut out a corner. Then Wasim opened the paper.



“Look here, all of you! Smile please!” he said as he held up the paper with a hole in the centre.

Syeda, Bittu and Manju smiled. Then they grinned. Soon they were giggling.

Wasim crumpled his paper camera.



Just then, Anil came along with his donkey.
He picked up Manju’s pencil and drew lines around the hole in the paper. “That’s the best sun I have ever seen!” said Manju.



Anil's donkey grabbed the paper sun from Manju's hand and gobbled it up fast. He burped loudly. Then the donkey had a very strange look on his face.

Now who can tell if it was because he had eaten very fast without chewing well, or if it was because he had eaten up the sun?



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Paper Play
(English)

Manju finds a piece of paper. And in the hands of her friends, it becomes so much more than just a piece of paper. Illustrated using bits of paper, so that each page is a collage, imagination is at play in this little story.

This is a Level 2 book for children who recognize familiar words and can read new words with help.